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Applicant: Hideaki NOMURA et al.

Title: POWDERY PREPARATION FOR MUCOSAL
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Reply under 37 CFR § 1.111 with three Attachments in the above-identified application.

[X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

Claims As Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Claims Fee
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[X] No fee is due.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 4, 2003, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Since this paper is filed within the three-month shortened statutory period Applicants consider it timely filed without a fee. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 CFR §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: